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## Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$5,000,000.  
INSTALLMENT received on.....\$26,765.62  
RESERVE FUND.....\$2,500,000.  
INSTALLMENT of PREMIUMS.....\$69,336.43  
on New Shares.....\$3,193,336.43

COURT OF DIRECTORS.  
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T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager,  
Offices of the Corporation,  
No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, August 25, 1883.

## Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.  
MR. GERALD SLADE and Mr. ALEXANDER MCCONACHIE are authorized to sign our firm from this date.

GILMAN & CO.  
Hongkong and Foochow,  
1st January, 1884.

NOTICE.  
THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. HERMANN FRIEDRICH MEYERINK in our firm ceased on the 1st January, 1883.

Mr. JOHANN HINRICH GARRELS is admitted a PARTNER from this date.

MEYER & CO.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1884.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of our firm of Mr. WILHELM REINERS, ceased on the 31st December, 1883.

Mr. MAX GROTE, Mr. CARL JANTZEN and Mr. STEPHAN O. MICHAELSEN, who have been signing the firm, are admitted PARTNERS from this date.

Mr. J. GOOSMAN is authorized to sign our firm for prosecution.

MELCHERS & CO.

Hongkong, January 1, 1884.

NOTICE.

WE HAVE this day established a BRANCH of our firm in Tamsui, Formosa. Mr. WILFRED CHRISTY is authorized to sign on our behalf for prosecution.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.

Hongkong, January 1, 1884.

NOTICE.

I HAVE this day admitted Mr. J. E. ELIAS a PARTNER in my business. It will hereafter be conducted under the style of "BELLILIOS & CO."

E. R. BELLILIOS.

Hongkong, January 2, 1884.

NOTICE.

THE MEDICAL HALL, ESTABLISHED A.D. 1853.

E. NIETHARDT, Proprietor,  
ANALYTICAL CHEMIST:  
IMPORTER OF DRUGS & CHEMICALS, PATENT MEDICINES,  
PERFUMERY, TOILET REQUIREMENTS,  
&c., &c., &c.

Manufacturer of Crated Waters.

MEDICINE CHESTS SUPPLIED AND REPAIRED.

Hongkong, December 31, 1883.

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## Intimations.

SHANGHAI DISTRICT.  
LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS,  
No. 23.

Light-vessel "Tungsha" to return to her Station, and Light-vessel "Kintown" to be removed for Repair.

NOTICE is hereby given that, on or about the 2nd February next, the Light-vessel "Tungsha" will be replaced on her Station; also that on or about the same date the Light-vessel "Kintown" which is to be removed to Japan will be replaced by the Light-vessel "Neuchang".

The Neuchang's Light and Riding Light are of the same description as those exhibited by the Kintown. Her Hull is painted Red, with the word "Neuchang" in White Letters on each side; and she has Three Masts, the main carrying a Black Ball.

During thick or foggy weather a gong will be sounded at 1-minute intervals on board of the Neuchang while she occupies the Kintown's Station.

A. M. BISBEE,  
Harbour Master.

Approved:

GEO. B. GLOVER,  
Commissioner of Customs.

Custom House,

Hongkong, 15th January, 1884.

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HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Third Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICE of the Company, No. 7, Queen's Road Central, at 12 o'clock, Noon, on WEDNESDAY, the 6th day of February, 1884, to receive a Statement of the Accounts of the Company to 31st December, 1883, and the Report of the General Managers.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be OPENED from the 20th January to 6th February, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, January 19, 1884.

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TO THE COMMUNITY OF HONGKONG.

THE TRUSTEES of St. John's CATHEDRAL find themselves compelled to appeal to the liberality of Residents here for assistance in repairing the Cathedral within New ORLEANS. The Instrument at present in use being so far deteriorated by climatic causes as not to be worth the very extensive repair which alone could make it serviceable. Its state must have been evident to those who have attended Divine Service for some time back, and it is doubtful whether it can be used much longer.

The Organ was built in 1860 and paid for by public subscription. An Organ ought, doubtless, to last much longer than 23 years in a good climate, but, besides the fact that the mistake seems to have been made in the first instance of selecting a cheap instrument, in 1860 makes even less than they do now about guarding against the effect of tropical heat and damp. Moreover, by the unfortunate shooting up of a root garter during a typhoon some years ago, the interior of the Organ (even then beginning to break up) was deluged with water.

It is proposed to give the order to Messrs. WALKER & SON, who have just successfully erected a fine Organ in Shanghai, and whose representative has informed us the damage (incredible to the workman who has never been out of England) which years of thin climate are capable of effecting.

The cost of an Organ suited to the Cathedral, laid down in Hongkong, and including the expences of a skilled workman to come out and put it up, is estimated at \$2,000, say \$12,000. This sum will not be regarded as extravagant if it is borne in mind that pipes which in England are made of lead, glued together, have, for the East, to be made of mahogany, secured with brass screws, everything else being similarly modified. An Organ so prepared should last, with proper care and occasional renewals of perishable parts, fifty or sixty years even in this climate.

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Contributions may be forwarded to the CATHEDRAL TREASURY, General Post Office, Hongkong, December 31, 1883. 1242

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

QUARANTINE AT EGYPTIAN AND CONTINENTAL PORTS.

ARRANGEMENTS have been made for passing the Company's Steamers through the SUET CANAL in QUADRANTE, thus avoiding any detention in EDYU. The Homeward Mails are now being landed at VENICE, but the QUARANTINE which is still imposed at this and all other CONTINENTAL PORTS prevents the landing of Passengers, and those travelling by the Company's Steamers are advised to remain on board the Vessel which calls at MAREMBOLE en route—stopping a few hours only to discharge Cargo—and proceed in her direct to LONDON, thus avoiding all QUARANTINE delays and inconveniences.

The Passages of the Steamers will be accelerated, and they will not call at MALTA or GIBRALTAR.

A. McIVER,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, September 6, 1883.

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## For Sale.

PERFUMERY.

ELECTRO-PLATED WARE.

CHOICE MANILA CIGARS.

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LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, January 3, 1884.

## Intimations.

MEDICAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY IN CHINA.

THE FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING of this SOCIETY will be held in CANTON, at the House of Messrs. BURSELL & CO., on THURSDAY, 24th January, at Two o'clock p.m.

J. G. KERR,

Secretary.

Canton, 17th January, 1884. 124

HONGKONG, CANTON, and MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-FIFTH ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the Company, No. 52, Queen's Road, on TUESDAY, the 29th January instant, at Three o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, and electing a Director and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th to the 25th instant.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

P. A. DA COSTA,

Secretary.

Hongkong, January 8, 1884. 124

TENDERS will be Received at this Office until the 31st JANUARY, 1884, for SALVING the S.S. HWAI-YUN'S TREASURE, about SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS, sunk in the North of Hoai-shan Islands about eighteen fathoms of water.



put into circulation and had the effect of scattering the Szechuan anti-Catholic riots of that time, in the course of which some of the priests and a number of converts lost their lives. The memorial evidently did not do its young author any harm, for a year or two later he was appointed to the post of Supervisor of Imperial Instruction, in which capacity he launched his famous dicta during the Chinese and foreigners generally during the *Ching Ho* episode. A year or two later, he was promoted to be Governor of Shensi. As he has grown older he has grown more tolerant of foreign ways. He has not undergone any particular conversion like his prototype to whom we have alluded, but he sees that "things are changing in the world," and that he must change with the times.

His memorial is much more temperate than any of his previous productions of a kindred nature, and for a fair estimate of the situation compares favourably with that of Peng-ya-lin. He is, on the whole, for war, but it is rather with a heavy heart. His plan is two-fold—first, to seize the opportunity and drive the French out of Annam while they are yet few in numbers, and dispirited with recent defeat; for he admits "if we wait till the French army, having received their reinforcements, be collected together it will be hard to conquer them;" and second, to prepare for defence. As to the first, recent events would probably convince him that the opportunity has been let slip, and that it would now be hard to drive the French from Annam. His advice, therefore, on the whole, does not amount to more than this, that China should do her best to arouse the patriotism of the country, and defend herself stoutly if the worst comes to the worst and we ensue. He holds up temptingly the strong position which China will occupy if she comes off victorious, but he shirks the consideration of what will ensue in the contrary case.

The other memorialist, Te'en Yu-ying, is a man whose name occurs frequently in the correspondence over the Yunnan affair, and who, if Sir Thomas Wade had held his ground, might have been indicted and tried for the murder of Margary. He was Governor of Yunnan at the time, and the instigation of that outrage was traced with almost conclusive certainty up to his Yamen. He had been the principal actor in the suppression of the Yunnan rebellion, and the Government owed him thanks for the pacification of his Province. He is described as a man of ruthless and cruel disposition, and is accused of numerous atrocities against the rebels. Chinese law and custom will tolerate almost anything in suppressing a rebellion, but his deeds were almost too much for even Chinese consciences, and he narrowly escaped being impeached and degraded in spite of his services. It is reported that he has no love for foreigners, as well as well be supposed, but except a short tenure of office at Foochow two years ago, he has never come into contact with them, and consequently, has had no opportunity of showing his feelings.

His memorial, as published in the native papers, is of a much calmer tone than might be supposed from his past history. He is ready to fight if better may not be, but on the whole is not aggressive. He tendered some advice to his Government borrowed from ancient books, but which reads not unlike modern sense, to the effect that the way to secure peace is to be always ready for war. He will march into Yenquin at the head of his forces if ordered; meantime he confines himself to defensive measures. The conclusion we are led to is that the Chinese Government will still be anxious to avoid a war if any sort of way can be shown out of it. There is still a strong peace party, and the chances are that the recent successes of the French will powerfully enforce their arguments.

## TELEGRAMS.

London, January 19th.  
Major-General Gordon (Chinese Gordon) has started for Egypt on a special mission for the Government.

January 20th.

General Gordon accepted his mission to Egypt upon the condition that he should be responsible only to the British Government.

**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**

PLACED CANAL.—*Hector*, Dec. 20; *Anteng*, Dec. 27; *Glenfalloch* and *Diamond*, Dec. 31; *Telmacus* and *Menevan*, Jan. 3.

The steamer *Glenvar* left Singapore for this port on the 14th instant.

The D. D. steamer *Veronica* left Singapore for this port on the 16th instant.

The delivery of the American Mail was begun at 1 p.m. to-day.

The British ship *G. C. Trifunt*, Captain J. W. Connor, left Manila for Hongkong on the 16th instant.

The following passengers have been booked at home for the Far East:

Per P. & O. steamer *Intrepid*, from London, Dec. 6.—To Yokohama: Mr. Wood, To Hongkong: Miss Fraser.

Per P. & O. steamer *Oranges*, from London, Dec. 12.—To Yantung: Mr. Fraser, Mr. Macpherson, To Shanghai: Mr. Brodie Clark and child. To Hongkong: Mr. Ramsay.

Per P. & O. steamer *Niam*, from London, Dec. 10.—To Yokohama: Mr. Watson. To Shanghai: Dr. and Mrs. Macleod and two children. Mr. Thelen, Mr. Lell. To Hongkong: Mr. Walkden, Mr. Bullock.

Per P. & O. steamer *Roxita*, from London, Dec. 20.—To Hongkong: Mrs. Ranns. Per P. & O. steamer *Oyle*, from London, Dec. 27.—To Hongkong (via Bombay) Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Bullock.

Per P. & O. steamer *Niam*, from Marseilles, Dec. 23.—To Saigon: Mr. Denis.

Per Messageries Maritimes at *Saghalien* from Marseilles, Jan. 6, 1884.—To Shanghai: Mr. E. H. Halton.

Per steamer *Asterion* (Holt's Line), from London, Dec. 11.—To Hongkong: The Rev. H. J. Parker. To Shanghai: Miss S. J. Newton, Mr. Roberts.

*La Mascotte* was repeated on Saturday night by the Loftus Troops before a large house. To-morrow evening the Company will produce *Les Cleches de Cornouaille*, for the benefit of Miss Victoria Loftus. This opera should be the most attractive one of the season.

The return rifle match between six Sergeants of the Hongkong Police and six of the Royal Engineers will take place on Thursday next, the 24th instant, on the Police Range, commencing at 2 p.m. The conditions will be the same as they were on the former occasion.

Da. Kerr of Canton has forwarded to us one of the most useful books ever published in the Chinese language—a manual of operative surgery, for the use of Chinese students, the worthy Doctor being the author.

The book is illustrated by forty pages of wooden engravings illustrative of the more common surgical operations. These engravings reflect great credit on the native artists. As for Dr Kerr's work we shall defer any further notice to a future occasion.

*EDUCATION.*

John Smith and Thomas Obroz, firemen, were charged with being drunk and disorderly and also with assaulting one Joseph Bowles.

Thomas Fowler, P.C. 24, stated:—On January 19, the 19th instant, at 11 p.m., I saw the defendants fighting in Peader's Street. First defendant knocked down complainant, his comrade, and cut his head, the second defendant came behind me and was very disorderly on the way to the Station. So I arrested him. They were both drunk. Defendants admitted having been drunk. They were each fined £1, or, in default, fourteen days' hard labour. The fines were paid.

*Narratives* of the two compradores of the *Hsia Yuen* was with the ill-fated ship when she went down. The chief comprador happened to be detained at Hongkong on private business and hence did not come up to Shanghai on the *Hsia Yuen's* last trip, while the second comprador happened to attend a feast on the night of departure, and this *carousal*, being a deep one, stretched to the small hours of the night. The two compradores said that he got "half mad" and it was with difficulty that he could get to go on board his ship. When at last, they found that the *Hsia Yuen* had already left, and so escaped the fate of their comrades. How is this for the "I.O.G.T.?"—N. O. D. News

Police Intelligence.  
(Before A. G. Wise, Esq.)

Monday, Jan. 21.

A VICTORIAN CHINAMAN.

Tang Muk, a Celestial who gets his living by acting as watchman for gamblers, was arrested by C. C. McKane, who caught him in *flagrante delicto*. Tang made a resolute attempt to get out of McKane's clutches, and, in doing so, viciously bit the constable's hand. He was sentenced to one month's imprisonment with hard labour.

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(Before Both Magistrates.)

ROBBERY WITH VIOLENCE.

In Ping was charged with others not in custody with robbing the complainant of a purse containing two dollars and fifty eight cents on the 21st instant.

Ng Ko Kin, sworn, said:—I am a coolie just arrived from Penang, and I am lodging in a boarding house on the Praha. On the 21st of January, at 8 a.m., I was taking a congee at a stall in Wing Loon Street. A man came behind me and caught hold of my throat and pulled me from the stall. The prisoner snatched my purse from my person and ran away. At the same time the man behind did the same. I called out thief and gave chase. A constable came out from the Market, and seized the prisoner. I am not hurt. My purse contained two dollars in silver and some small change.

Yu Kan, P.C. 230, stated: that on the 21st instant, at 8 a.m., while he was on duty in the Western Market, he heard a cry of thief. Seeing persons run in from the Praha, pursued by the complainant, he caught hold of him. Prisoner had a purse in his hand and the complainant charged him with the theft.

Defendant stated that some other person committed the robbery and picked the purse up. He was sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment with hard labour.

(Before H. E. Wodehouse, Esq.)

THEFT OF POULTRY.

Wong Ahai was sent to gaol for six weeks for attempting to steal some poultry belonging to Mr. W. Wotton, solicitor. Mr. Wotton's watchman caught Wong in the act of carrying off the fowls.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, Jan. 21.

Sir,—The other day, on going on board the *Cristobal Colon* to present my respects to an Italian subject resident in Hongkong, I met his worthy commander (whom I found to be quite a coolie and most kind gentleman). I was quite astonished to hear that Chevalier Musso, in forwarding to him the statement of the number of the five Italian residents here, mentioned that I had taken foreign naturalization. This is either out of the usual hallucination of Chevalier Musso, or a misimpression arising from the mere thought of becoming a foreign subject never crossed my mind.

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